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1. North Vietnam

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2. Rumania

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Rumania's relations with the USSR and other Eastern European countries have sunk, despite recent outward signs of improvement.

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Relations will not deteriorate completely, but are unlikely to improve in view of Bucharest's nationalistic position and its refusal even to mention the Sino-Soviet dispute, let alone side with Moscow.

3. Nigeria

Violence is spreading, and becoming uglier.

In the North, Ibo tribesmen from the East are now beaten and disemboweled in broad daylight--some by soldiers. Some of these incidents have been witnessed by US officials and contract employees.

Last weekend in the Eastern Region, northerners were for the first time attacked and their property looted.

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The constitutional crisis is dragging on, and senior police officials are pessimistic about the long-range chances of maintaining law and order.

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4. France

Paris is extending its disengagement from NATO into the political field. The French have refused to participate in drafting a special report on East-West relations which the political advisers plan to submit to the North Atlantic Council.

The French representative, in a written opinion, claimed the report could create the impression that "two ideologically opposed blocs" existed and would destroy the climate of detente recently established in Europe.

5. Mexico

Communist students are trying to organize anti-US demonstrations during Secretary Rusk's two-day visit which begins on Friday. Mexican security officials are on to the scheme, however, and should be able to keep things under control.

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